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FRACTIONATION DEVICES, IN A

MICROFLUIDIC SYSTEM

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated September 29, 2005 (Paper No. 0905), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.